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The sulphuric acid plant at Farbenfabrik Wolfen has not yet been completed; according to Dr. (fnu) Singer, a responsible official of the plant, the project has been held up because the required V-2 tubes were not delivered. The estimated East German loss of sulphuric acid amounts to 8,000 metric tons, or 40 percent of the planned 1952 production. The East German cellulose industry's allocation of sulphuric acid is to be cut accordingly so that other industries can receive their full allocations. It is estimated that about 80,000 workers in the cellulose industry will have to be laid off as a result of the cut.

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